## MANITOWOC COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

April 20, 2021 Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Jason Orth, Robert Barbier, Greg Grotegut, Brian Kohlmeier, and Holly Herzog.

Also Present: Rick Olig BOTS, and Mason Simmons PE (telephone) WI DOT NE Region

**Call to Order**: Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Chairman Jason Orth.

**Minutes**: Motion to approve minutes by Greg Grotegut, second by Rick Olig; motion carried.

**Public Input:** None

## **Site Evaluations:**

**CORD K and CORD T:** Greg Grotegut stated the Village of Kellnersville has decided to leave the intersection as a two-way stop. The Village had a referendum on the April ballot resulting in no change to the current intersection. Greg Grotegut stated information was given to the Village about cost and maintenance of lighted stop signs. Jason Orth stated as Village authorities decided not to move forward with prior TSC recommendations he would accept a motion for taking no further action in accordance with the referendum results.

A motion was made based on the information provided by the Village of Kellnersville to take no further action on the intersection of CORD K and CORD T by Greg Grotegut, second by Brian Kohlmeier; motion carried.

**Appoint Mason Simmons PE to replace Joshua Falk:** Motion to appoint Mason Simmons PE to the Manitowoc County Traffic Safety Commission by Rick Olig, second by Greg Grotegut; motion carried.

**DOT Update Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative:** Rick Olig reported that crash statistics for the 1st quarter show 361 accidents (deer not included) so far for 2021 as compared to 376 for 2020. Speed and age continue to be contributing factors. Fatal accidents so far this year are 106 compared to 117 in 2020. Total fatal accidents for 2020 were 598 as compared to 550 in 2019. Predictive analytics were also discussed based on crash data. Mobilizations for 2021 included Click-It or Ticket running from May 24th through June 6th and Drive Sober running August 20th through September 6th and December 17th through January 1st.

Legislative updates can be found on the Community Maps website under TSC Resources – Legislative Summary. A sample of the information available was shown. The upcoming Governor's Conference on Highway Safety will be held August 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> and will be virtual.

Mason Simmons stated a request was received to add a traffic light at STHY 42 and 12<sup>th</sup> St. in the City of Two Rivers near McDonalds. Brian Kohlmeier stated this a difficult location as drivers coming over the bridge may not see cars stopped at that intersection and there is a curve coming from the other direction. Mason Simmons stated the request will be forwarded to the appropriate local agency.

## **Recent Fatalities:**

February 8, 2021 – I43 NB / Middle Rd. Single vehicle rollover. Operator was inattentive and driving too fast for conditions on icy road. An 8 YO child not wearing a seatbelt was ejected and died as a result of the accident. Operator charged with homicide by intoxicated use of vehicle, operating while revoked causing death, inattentive driving, operating motor vehicle without insurance, and homicide by use of a vehicle with PAC.

**Next Meeting**: July 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

A motion to adjourn at 10:45 am by Brian Kohlmeier, second Greg Grotegut; motion carried.

Submitted by: Holly Herzog, Secretary